

U.S. Virgin Islands

AIDS Rate per 100,000

15.6*

State Funds for HIV Early Intervention Services

STATE EXPENDITURES	
Required Base	SFY 2007 Expenditures Maintenance
n/a	n/a
N/A = Not applicable	

SAPT EXPENDITURES	
FY 2005 HIV Set-Aside	FY 2008 Planned
\$31,105	\$31,403

FY 2008 SAPT Reports

Early intervention services are made available through a memorandum of agreement with the HIV/STD clinic of the Department of Health. HIV services provided include pre/post test counseling, testing, outreach, and referral.

HIV EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES PROVIDED							
Rapid Testing	Funding Rapid Testing	Regular HIV Testing	Pre-Test and Post-Test Counseling	Referral Services	Risk Assessment	HIV/AIDS Education	Outreach
		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓

State Narrative Summary

Through a memorandum of agreement with the HIV/sexually transmitted disease clinic of the Department of Health, early intervention services for HIV target clients who have substance abuse problems. As part of the medical history taken when clients are admitted to the outpatient clinic, clients are routinely asked about their

*The most recent data published prior to October 1, 2007 by the CDC is Table 14, Reported AIDS cases and annual rates (per 100,000 population), by area of residence and age category, cumulative through 2005-United States, HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report 2005 Vol. 17, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Division of HIV/AIDS, Prevention, Surveillance, and Epidemiology. Single copies of the report are available through the CDC National Prevention Information Network, 1-800-458-5231 or 301-562-1098 or <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/surveillance/resources/reports/2005report/table14.htm>

HIV status. Early intervention services, which were expected to continue through Fiscal Year 2008, included rapid HIV testing, pre- and post-test counseling, referral services, risk assessment, and outreach.

Full State Narrative

FY 2005 (COMPLIANCE)

The Division has an existing MOA with the HIV/STD clinic of the Department of Health located at the Charles Harwood Medical Complex. Within the context of the MOA there are currently provisions to target those clients in greatest needs services for HIV to clients with substance abuse problems.

The Practice Guidelines mandates that all individuals admitted to the Substance Abuse Services Out-Patient Clinic, will be asked as part of the medical history, their HIV status, and if positive, and to disclose any treatment they are receiving for the purposes of medication reconciliation.

However, in order to comply with federal alcohol and drug patient confidentiality regulations (45 CFR Part 2), information regarding the patient's involvement in a chemical dependency treatment program is not to be released.

FY 2007 (PROGRESS)

The Division provided HIV Services through an MOU with the Division of STD/HIV/TB. There were clients who tested positive for HIV in 2007.

FY 2008 (INTENDED USE)

By December 2008, the Division will continue to provide pre- and post- test counseling, training, condom distribution, data collection, outreach, case and medication management, referral to other agencies and follow-up.

By December 2008, the Division will revise its MOU with the Division of STD/HIV/TB and expand its work to include other faith and community-based organizations.

HIV Early Intervention Services

The Virgin Islands Department of Health is the single State authority for public health and communicable diseases and substance abuse prevention and treatment in the Virgin Islands.

The Division developed substance abuse outpatient chemical dependency practice guidelines for HIV/AIDS/HCV services.

The Division collaborates with the HIV/AIDS/HCV Program to conduct provider trainings with the most recent being the Rapid Test.

HIV early intervention services are provided through-out the Territory (St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. John and Water Island).

HIV Early Intervention Programs Receiving Funds

HIV EARLY INTERVENTION FUNDS REPORTED BY STATE PROVIDER				
Program	Status	Address	Phone	Funds
DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCY	U	Barbel Plaza South St Thomas, VI 00802	n/a	\$31,403

Status Key: [A] Active, [I] Inactive, [n/a] Not available, [P] Facility physically closed, [S] No substance abuse services provided, [U] Closed as duplicate of another facility.